

Village of Salado
Salado Municipal Building
301 N. Stagecoach
Salado, Texas
Minutes of Special Meeting of Board of Aldermen
April 29, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

The Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Skip Blancett.

Board Members Present: Mayor Skip Blancett, Mayor Pro-tem Frank Coachman, and Aldermen Andy Jackson, Michael Coggin, and Michael McDougal.

Staff Present: Village Administrator Don Ferguson and City Secretary Cara McPartland

Public Hearings

- A. Hold a public hearing on the proposed voluntary annexation of the Williams Road right-of-way from West Village Road to FM 2484 in Bell County, Texas. (*Village Administrator*)

Village Administrator Ferguson explained the voluntary right-of-way annexation is needed to facilitate the annexation of existing Salado ISD properties in the Williams Road subject area. He reviewed the annexation service plan, including: police protection; fire/EMS protection; solid waste collection; water service; sanitary sewer service; maintenance of roads and streets; parks, playgrounds and swimming pools; library service; street lighting; planning and zoning; electrical service; and building inspection/code enforcement/permitting. In response to Alderman Coggin, Village Administrator Ferguson replied that the reason for having to call this special meeting is the Village's obligation to adhere to statutorily-imposed deadlines that could not be met within the regular meeting schedule.

Mayor Blancett opened the public hearing at 6:34 and announced the first call for speakers.

Darrell Street thanked the Village for its diligence in initiating and completing the annexation process and spoke of its benefits, including bringing wastewater service to school properties.

After announcing the second and third calls for public speakers, no comments were heard.

Mayor Blancett closed the public hearing at 6:37 p.m.

- B. Hold a public hearing on the proposed voluntary annexation of Salado School Road right-of-way from West Village Road to Thomas Arnold Road in Bell County, Texas. (*Village Administrator*)

Village Administrator Ferguson explained the voluntary right-of-way annexation is needed to facilitate the annexation of existing Salado ISD properties near Thomas Arnold and Salado School Road. As with the previous agenda item, he reviewed the annexation service plan for the subject property.

Mayor Blancett opened the public hearing at 6:38 p.m. and announced the first call for speakers.

Mayor Blancett announced the second call for speakers. No comments were heard.

Mayor Blancett announced the third call for speakers.

Salado Village Voice Editor and Salado resident Tim Fleischer asked for clarification on what the annexation includes (street or right-of-way). Village Administrator Ferguson replied that the Village is annexing the right-of-way, which includes the asphalt pavement, as well as the adjacent right-of-way on both sides of Salado School Road. Mr. Fleischer asked if those roads will be added to the street condition survey findings presented to the Board at its last meeting and Village Administrator Ferguson replied affirmatively.

Hearing no further speakers, Mayor Blancett closed the public hearing at 6:40 p.m.

- C. Hold a public hearing on the proposed voluntary annexation of the Salado Independent School District properties located on Williams Road in Bell County, Texas. (*Village Administrator*)

Village Administrator Ferguson explained this item is needed to facilitate the annexation of existing Salado ISD properties on Williams Road. As with the previous agenda items, he reviewed the annexation service plan for the subject property and noted inclusion of an anticipated interlocal agreement with the Salado ISD for the provision of School Resource Officer services on Salado ISD campuses. It was noted the fire/EMS services are located about 150 feet from the subject area. He advised that several interlocal agreements will be presented to the Board when it considers the annexation ordinances (in June 2019) relating to reimbursement for wastewater line extension, obligation of SISD properties to connect to the wastewater system, waiver of impact fees, and future development/permitting fees. He explained that the proposed agreement would waive the Village's permitting fees, but Salado ISD would be responsible for any plan review/inspection fees that the Village incurs from its outside contractors. He said the Salado ISD would also have the option of using its own contractors and providing documentation of compliance to the Village.

Mayor Blancett opened the public hearing at 6:43 p.m. and announced the first and second calls for speakers.

Tim Fleischer asked for clarification on development fees, specifically if the Salado ISD would pay Bureau Veritas for inspection services. Village Administrator Ferguson replied that Salado ISD would be responsible for covering costs the Village incurs from Bureau Veritas or would have the ability to use their own inspector.

Village Administrator Ferguson added that the proposed interlocal agreements will also contain language clarifying that any pre-existing, non-conforming ("grandfathered") signage will be protected.

Mayor Blancett announced the third call for speakers.

John Newman of 2221 Chisholm Trail said it is not double taxation to charge Salado ISD an impact fee. He stated their taxing district encompasses a much larger area than Salado and the fee would be spread across their entire taxing district.

Hearing no further speakers, Mayor Blancett closed the public hearing at 6:45 p.m.

- D. Hold a public hearing on the proposed voluntary annexation of the Salado Independent School District properties located on Salado School Road and Thomas Arnold Road in Bell County, Texas. (*Village Administrator*)

Village Administrator Ferguson explained this item is needed to facilitate the annexation of existing Salado ISD properties on Salado School/Thomas Arnold Roads. As with the previous agenda items, he reviewed the annexation service plan for the subject property.

Mayor Blancett opened the public hearing at 6:46 p.m. and announced the first call for public speakers.

Salado Public Library Director Jeanie Lively spoke in support of the Salado's schools, families, and children and expressed appreciation for the annexation efforts.

Mayor Blancett announced the second and third calls for public speakers. Hearing none, Mayor Blancett closed the public hearing at 6:48 p.m.

Village Administrator Ferguson advised that the next public hearings will be held on May 16, 2019, with the first and second readings of the annexation ordinances to be held on June 6, 2019 and June 20, 2019, respectively.

At Mayor Blancett's request, Salado Public Library Director Jeanie Lively introduced incoming Salado Public Library District President Joycelyn Miller. Ms. Miller spoke of the Library's support for the community, especially its schools and children.

In addition, Village Administrator Ferguson noted an upcoming open house to be held by TxDOT on May 1, 2019 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. relating to the Main Street Improvement Project, scope of work, and timeframe.

Alderman McDougal thanked the entire Salado ISD and Board, as well as Superintendent Novotny, for their outstanding performance and for successfully partnering with the Village to work toward complete this annexation.

Adjournment

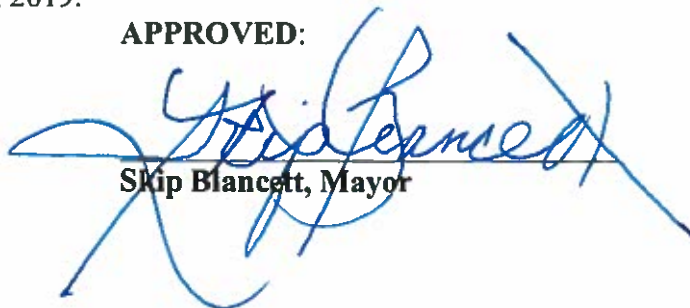
Mayor Blancett called for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Jackson moved to adjourn. Mayor Pro-tem Coachman seconded. Mayor Blancett called the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Recorded by:

Cara McPartland

These minutes approved on the 2nd of May, 2019.

APPROVED:

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Skip Blancett, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cara McPartland", written over a horizontal line.

Cara McPartland, City Secretary

